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1. Amendment Transmittal Letter (2 pages); and
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 Serial No.: 09/818,480) Customer No.: 00919
 Filed: March 27, 2001) Group Art Unit: 3629
 Confirmation No.: 9576) Examiner: Richard Sukyoon Woo

Title: **RECIPIENT ELECTED MESSAGING SERVICES FOR MAIL THAT IS
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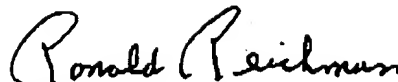
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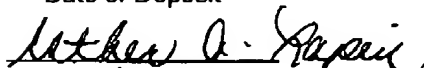
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- **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.

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